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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-15 (canceled)

Claim 16. (currently amended) A method for making a detergent composition comprising detergent particles, said composition having detergent active particulates dispersed uniformly therethrough, ~~particle~~ said method comprising the steps of:
selecting detergent base particles having a geometric mean particle size from 500 - 2500 microns;
and, adhering detergent active particulates having a geometric mean particle diameter below 200µm to the detergent base particles in a moderate to low shear mixer in which a first stream of said detergent base particles is added to said mixer, a second stream of said detergent active particulates is added to the mixer and binder also present in the mixer effects adhesion of said detergent active particulates to said base detergent particles, ~~mixing step,~~ wherein said the detergent active particulates have a geometric mean particle diameter no greater than ~~40%~~ 20% of the geometric mean particle ~~diameter size~~ size of ~~the said~~ detergent base particles and said detergent active particulates comprising ~~comprise~~ a detergent active selected from the group consisting of perfumes, enzymes, and photobleaches, ~~catalysts, soil-release polymers, suds suppressors, bleaching compound, whitening agents and layered silicates.~~

Claims 17 - 18 (Canceled).

Claim 19 (Currently amended) A method according to claim 16 ~~18~~ in which the binder is added by a third stream directly into the mixer.

Claim 20 (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16 in which a binder is added to the detergent base particles or the detergent active particulate prior to their addition to the mixer.

Claim 21 (Canceled)

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Claim 22 (Currently amended) A method according to claim ~~16~~ 21 in which the geometric mean particle diameter of the detergent active particulates is no greater than 10% of the geometric mean particle ~~diameter~~ size of the detergent base particles.

Claim 23 (Currently amended) A ~~detergent composition~~ method according to claim 22 in which the geometric mean particle diameter of the detergent active particulates is no greater than 5% of the geometric mean particle ~~diameter~~ size of the detergent base particles.

Claims 24-25 (Canceled)

Claim 26 (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16 in which the geometric mean particle diameter of the detergent active particulates is no greater than 150 microns.

Claims 27 - 30 (Canceled)